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TAGS: PFOR, PA, CI
SUBJ: CHILEAN'S REQUEST FOR POLITICAL ASYLUM (GOMILA VERGARA,
RICARDO IGNACIO)

REF: ASUNCION 5277

1. THIS IS AN INTERIM REPORT REGARDING THE ACCOUNT OF
RECARDO
GOMILA VERGARA WHO IS SEEKING POLITICAL ASYLUM
INTO THE US FROM ASUNCION. USING INTERNAL CHECKS THE
EMBASSY HAS ATTEMPTED TO RUN DOWN LEADS PROVIDED BY
GOMILA IN ORDER TO VERIFY OR COMMENT UPON HIS ACCOUNT
IN REFTEL. WE WILL, OF COURSE, BE FOLLOWING UP WITH
OTHER DISCREET, NON-GOC SOURCES. SO FAR, HOWEVER, WE
HAVE FOUND CONFIRMATION HARD TO COME BY.

2. SPECIFICALLY:

(A) "UNION PARA LA LIBERACION NACIONAL" (PARA 3 REFTEL)
IS UNKNOWN TO US.

(B) NAME CHECKS ON GOMILA, JUAN ITURRA (PARA 3 REFTEL)
AND ELBA VALIENTE (PARA 4 REFTEL) ARE NEGATIVE. GOMILA
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IS LISTED IN THE SANTIAGO DIRECTORY AS RESIDING AT
BULNES 956 TELEPHONE 67752 (AND A RICARDO GOMILA VERGARA
AT BULNES 950 TELEPHONE 81018).

(C) WE UNDERSTAND THAT PATRICIA VERGARA VALIENTE WAS
EXILED TO MEXICO IN NOVEMBER 1973.

(D) WE ARE SEEKING, BUT STILL HAVE NOT RECEIVED, CONFIRMATION THAT RICARDO TIRADO WAS EMPLOYED BY THE PEACE CORPS.

(E) WE HAVE TWO SANTANDERS (PARA 3 REFTTEL): ONE IS AN ASYLEE IN WEST GERMANY AND OTHER, SANTANDER GODY, IS RECORDED AS MEMBER OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY.

(F) WE HAVE NO RECORD OF A SHOOTING INCIDENT IN MAY OR JUNE OF THE TYPE DESCRIBED BY GOMILA (PARA 3).

4. WE WOULD PROBABLY BE ABLE TO BE OF MORE HELP IF GOMILA WOULD EXPLAIN WHAT OTHER GROUPS THE UNION ASSOCIATED WITH (REF PARA 3) AND THE NATURE OF ITS POLICIES (PARA 3 REFTTEL STATES "ITURRA WAS ARRESTED WHILE CARRYING INFORMATION ADVOCATING GUERRILLA WARFARE.").
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